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SUBJECT: APPOINTMENT OF CONSULAR AGENT IN MALDIVES

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1. AS INDICATED REF A, DEPARTMENT CANNOT MAKE DECISION ON APPOINTMENT OF MISS DIDI AS CONSULAR AGENT FOR MALDIVES UNTIL SECURITY INVESTIGATION IS COMPLETED. DEPARTMENT ALSO INDICATED THAT ALL FORMS REQUIRED BY 3 FAM 992.3 NEED TO BE SUBMITTED. ALTHOUGH REF B INDICATES FORMS WERE SENT TO NEA/EX BY OM DATED JANUARY 27, OM INDICATES FORM SF-85 WAS NOT INCLUDED BECAUSE NO BLANK FORMS WERE AVAILABLE AT POST. BECAUSE NEA/EX POST MANAGEMENT OFFICER IS TRAVELING IN YOUR AREA, WE DO NOT RPT NOT KNOW WHETHER BLANK FORMS WERE SENT TO YOU; IN ANY EVENT, WE ARE POUCHING BLANK FORMS TO YOU TODAY, ATTENTION HARTWELL. AS INDICATED IN 3 FAM 992.3, A LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT CAN BE MADE FOLLOWING SUBMISSION OF ALL REQUIRED FORMS.

2. INFORMATION GIVEN ON FORM SF-171, PERSONAL QUALIFICATIONS STATEMENT, WOULD INDICATE THAT MISS DIDI MEETS STANDARDS FOR EMPLOYMENT OF CONSULAR AGENT GIVEN IN 3 FAM 992.2.

HOWEVER, BECAUSE ALL REQUIRED FORMS HAVE NOT BEEN PROCESSED, WE BELIEVE IT IS PREMATURE TO PROPOSE MISS DIDI'S NAME TO THE PRESIDENT AT THIS TIME. IN DISCUSSING THE APPROVAL AND ESTABLISHMENT OF A CONSULAR AGENCY WITH PRESIDENT NASER, WE ASK THAT YOU SAY ONLY THAT WE WILL BE BACK IN TOUCH WITH HIM IN THE FUTURE CONCERNING APPOINTMENT OF AN AGENT. VANCE

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